

Speech-Language services in Iowa

Iowa Area Education Agencies (AEAs) work as educational partners with public and accredited, private schools to assist students, school staff, parents and communities meet the challenges of student achievement and accountability.

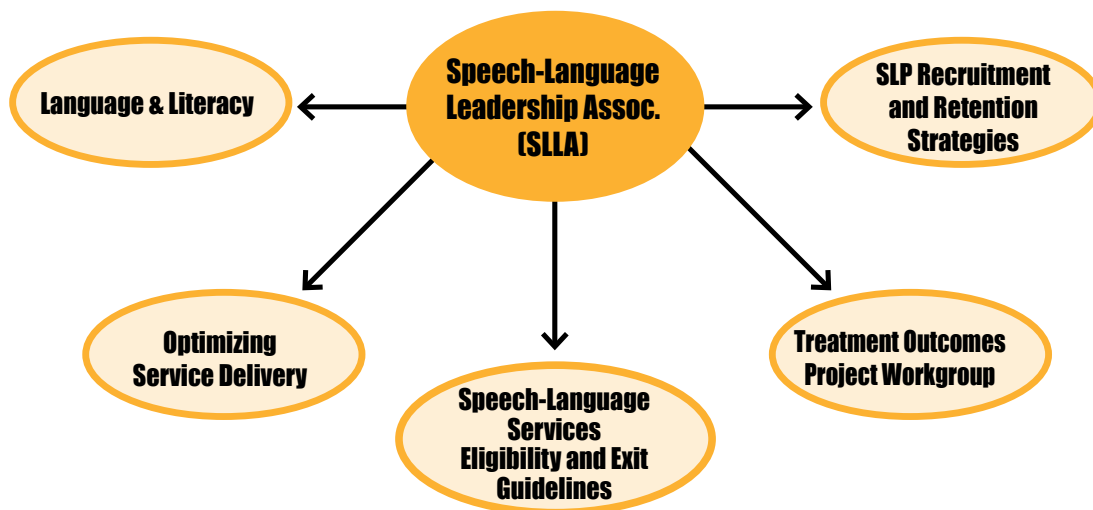
AEA speech-language pathologist (SLP) services involve the evaluation, consultation, and therapy for educationally significant problems that children have with language, voice, articulation, and fluency.

Iowa offers SLPs:

- A diverse population
- Bilingual opportunities
- A state consultant with the Iowa Department of Education
- A state leadership group, Speech-Language Leadership Association (SLLA)
- Individual Education Plans (IEPs) for students
- Problem solving with parents, teachers, and other professionals
- The Iowa Communications Network (ICN) for distance learning professional development

Speech-Language Leadership Association (SLLA)

SLLA provides support through the following, each of which incorporates a staff development/tool:



Mission: *To provide vision and leadership that facilitates the delivery of quality Speech-Language services to children and their families throughout the state of Iowa.*

Iowa Area Education Agencies

Partners in Education

Iowa's Area Education Agencies (AEAs) offer a dynamic growth environment for Speech-Language Pathologists (SLPs). School-based SLPs employed within Iowa enjoy the following benefits:

- Access to a vital and supportive statewide network of other SLPs.
- Opportunities to collaborate on system-level initiatives that enhance the skills and services of SLPs in their daily work.
- Development of statewide norms and interventions designed to enhance the oral narrative skills of kindergarten and first-grade students.
- Consistent service delivery through the use of Eligibility and Exit Considerations Guidelines as well as Service Delivery Options that range from skill building to co-teaching.
- Refined problem solving and response to intervention approaches that provide services and expertise to students and families in the general education environment.
- A statewide web-based Individualized Education Program (IEP) for children ages three to 21.
- A statewide Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) for children birth to age three.

Join the Iowa AEA system for the professional experience of a lifetime!



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